



October 31, 2014

To: Executive Board

Subject: **Downtown Los Angeles Bus Layover Lease**

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### **Recommendation**

Authorize the Executive Director to negotiate final terms and conditions with the Los Angeles Metropolitan Transportation Authority (Metro) for the lease of bus layover space in downtown Los Angeles.

### **Analysis**

One of the challenges Foothill Transit faces in downtown Los Angeles is finding an area where buses can safely park and not impede traffic as they prepare for their next trip. Several years ago, after looking into the feasibility of purchasing land in or near downtown Los Angeles, the locations identified were found to be either cost prohibitive or too far from the Silver Streak's first and last downtown Los Angeles stops to be effective.

Metro currently utilizes layover space at their Terminal 28 facility located under the Interstate 10 Freeway at the intersection of Broadway and 18<sup>th</sup> Street in downtown Los Angeles and have offered Foothill Transit the opportunity to lease space at the location. The layover location is a surface lot with designated bus lanes and restrooms for use by coach operators.

**Attachment A** is a diagram of Terminal 28 with the proposed bus lane for Foothill Transit's use highlighted in red.

Terminal 28 is located one mile from the first and last downtown Los Angeles stop of the Silver Streak, making it an ideal location for coach operators to layover as they prepare for their next trip. The space can accommodate up to three 60-foot articulated buses. Our use of this facility will help to significantly mitigate a chronic issue of coaches impeding traffic in the congested downtown Los Angeles area near the first pickup location of our eastbound buses. The cost to lease the space is \$1,000 a month or \$12,000 a year.



**Budget Impact**

The \$12,000 annual cost to lease space at Terminal 28 is available in Foothill Transit's adopted FY 2014/15 budget.

Sincerely,

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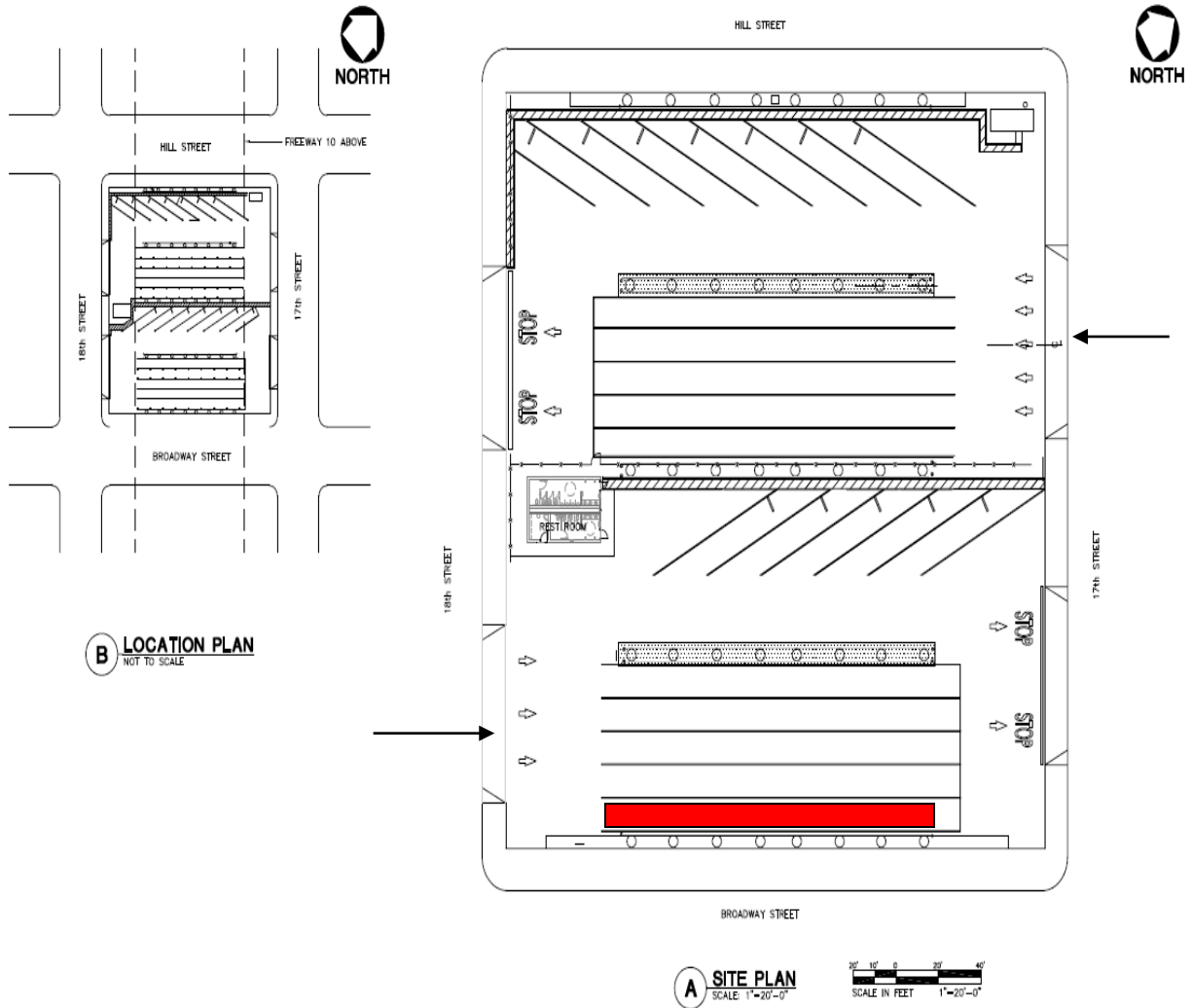
Joseph Raquel  
Planning Director

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Doran J. Barnes  
Executive Director

# ATTACHMENT A

## TERMINAL 28 (18<sup>TH</sup> STREET BUS LAYOVER)



FOOTHILL TRANSIT DESIGNATED SPACE SHOWN IN RED